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This Reply is being filed in response to the Office Action dated September 3, 2003 (Paper No. 5).

In the Action, the Examiner made an election of species requirement between two patentably distinct species of the invention. The Examiner has noted the species as Species A: Figure 4 or Species B: Figure 9. It was also noted that claim 1 appears to be generic, so that the claims directed to the non-elected species of the invention can remain in the application to the extent that a generic claim is eventually allowed.

In response to the election of species requirement, Applicant elects the species of Figure 9. Claims 1 and 3-12 read upon the elected species of the invention.

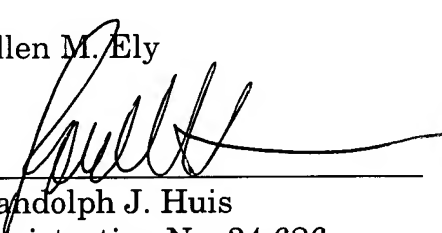
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Prompt examination of the application is respectfully requested.

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